

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing Of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An enhanced broadcasting system for presenting audio or video broadcasts and related enhancements, the system comprising:

a receiver for receiving an audio and video broadcast signal;

a first display unit, connected to the receiver, for displaying content of the audio and video broadcast signal;

a code fragment including at least one instruction correlated to the content of the audio and video broadcast signal;

a computer configured for receiving a the code fragment correlated to the content of the audio and video broadcast signal;

the computer executing software for interpreting the instruction of the code fragment and correlating the instruction of the code fragment to the audio and video broadcast signal with respect to time; and

a second display unit, connected to the computer, for displaying having a screen display which is updated based upon the interpreted instruction of the code fragment.

2. (Original) The enhanced broadcasting system of claim 1 further comprising:

an application clock operatively connected to said computer and synchronized to a house clock such that the broadcast signal and the code fragment are correlated with respect to time.

3. (Currently Amended) The enhanced broadcasting system of claim 1 wherein the software ~~application~~ is an applet.

4. (Original) The enhanced broadcasting system of claim 1 wherein the code fragment is written in JavaScript.

5. (Original) The enhanced broadcasting system of claim 1 wherein the computer receives

the code fragment through a communication network.

6. (Currently Amended) The enhanced broadcasting system of claim [[4]] 5 wherein the communication network is the Internet.

7. (Currently Amended) An enhancement for the content of an audio and video broadcast, the enhancement comprising:

a code fragment ~~containing information related~~ including at least one instruction correlated to the content of the audio and video broadcast and a time stamp such that ~~rendering~~ updating of a screen display is based upon interpretation of the instruction of the code fragment and is chronologically synchronized to receipt of the broadcast.

8. (Original) The enhancement of claim 7 wherein the code fragment is written in JavaScript.

9. (Currently Amended) A method for providing enhanced television broadcasting, the method comprising:

selecting a common time for a synchronized presentation of an audio and video signal and a related enhancement;

broadcasting the audio and video signal for receipt by a broadcast receiver;

sending the enhancement from a server computer ~~server~~ over a network for receipt by a client computer;

displaying the audio and video signal on a first display screen at the common time;

interpreting at least one instruction associated with the enhancement, which instruction is correlated to the content of the audio and video signal; and

displaying a screen display which is updated based upon the interpreted enhancement instruction on a second display screen at the common time.

10. (Original) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 9, wherein the enhancement comprises a code fragment.

11. (Original) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 10

wherein the code fragment comprises a timestamp.

12. (Original) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 10, wherein the first display screen is operatively connected to a television and the second display screen is operatively connected to a computer monitor.

13. (Currently Amended) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 9, further comprising:

- receiving an input from a user of the client computer;
- executing software on the client computer to analyze the input;
- assigning points to the user according to ~~their~~ the analyzed input, such that the user accumulates an earned score.

14. (Original) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 13, further comprising:

- delivering to a particular user earned scores of each of a plurality of users;
- organizing the delivered earned scores accordingly to their relative values; and
- displaying the organized earned scores to be viewed by the particular user.

15. (Original) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 14 wherein the plurality of users is selected by the particular user.

16. (Original) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 14 wherein the delivering of earned scores of a plurality of users to a particular user is in response to the particular user joining a group comprising the plurality of users.

17. (Original) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 16 wherein the joining comprises the steps of:

- providing to the server computer a group name assigned to the group; and
- providing to the server computer a password assigned to the group and uniquely associated with the group name.

18. (Currently Amended) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 13 further comprising:

- assigning a group name to a group, the group capable of being accessed by a plurality of users;
- assigning a password to the group, such that the group name and the password are uniquely associated;
- storing the uniquely associated group name and password on the server computer;
- receiving at the server computer a query group name and a query password from a joining user;
- comparing the query group name and query password received from the joining user to the uniquely associated group name and password stored on the server computer;
- providing the joining user access to the group if the query group name and query password are identical to the uniquely associated group name and password stored on the server computer; and
- reporting to each user having access to the group the earned score of all users having access to the group.

19. (Original) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 18 further comprising:

- ranking the earned scores of the plurality of users having access to the group to determine a relative score for each user having access to the group; and
- reporting, to each user having access to the group, the relative scores.

20. (Original) The method for providing enhanced television broadcasting of claim 19, wherein the reporting comprises displaying the relative scores in ranked order within a leaderboard.

21. (New) The enhanced broadcasting system of claim 1 further comprising:
an authoring system for generating the instruction of the code fragment such that the instruction is correlated to the content of the audio and video broadcast signal.

22. (New) The enhanced broadcasting system of claim 21 wherein the authoring system

generates the instruction of the code fragment as the audio and video broadcast signal is broadcast.

23. (New) The enhanced broadcasting system of claim 1 further comprising:
a push server for delivering the code fragment to the computer.